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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Investigation Into Ameritech Wisconsin's Unbundled Network  
Elements

6720-TI-161

**CONFIDENTIALITY DETERMINATION**

On December 15, 2000, a written application was submitted by Ameritech Wisconsin, Inc. seeking confidential status for William Palmer's Revised exhibit WCP-9 in this docket. This application was given control number 00886. The information for which confidentiality was requested was Ameritech's proposed unbundled network elements rates in this docket. On January 5, 2001, Mr. Jeffry J. Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, mailed to the applicant an interrogatory, the answers to which were necessary for a determination of confidential status. The interrogatory identified that similar information had been filed in public exhibits in other dockets and gave the example of exhibit SJA-7 in docket 6720-TI-160. The interrogatory inquired how the information in confidentiality request number 00886 would aid a competitor when similar information is available in public documents, and particularly how the end results alone from cost models would aid a competitor. The interrogatory was mailed within the 21 days provided in Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.06(4)(a). The interrogatory identified that a reply was required by February 5, 2001, according to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.06(4)(b). As of February 8, 2001, no reply to the interrogatory had been received.

**The above application is denied.**

According to PSC § 2.06(4)(b), if an extension has not been granted and if the applicant fails to answer all interrogatory within 30 days after the date the Commission mails the interrogatories, the Commission shall deny the application. However, under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.06(6), information for which confidential status has been requested shall not be open to public scrutiny until 40 days after the issuance of the confidentiality determination.

**WHEREFORE:**

As no extension was requested and the replies to the interrogatory were not filed within the required time period, the application is denied as required by Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.06(4)(b).

The information in the application given control number 00886 shall be open to public scrutiny on March 21, 2001.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, \_\_\_\_\_

For the Commission:

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Jeffry Patzke  
Administrative Law Judge

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cc: Wisconsin State Telephone Association